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USSR: BREZHNEV APPEALS TO REAGAN TO STOP BLOODSHED IN LEBANON

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(TEXT) MOSCOW, 8 JUL (TASS) -- IN CONNECTION WITH THE SHARP WORSENING OF THE SITUATION IN LEBANON, AND ESPECIALLY IN ITS CAPITAL BEIRUT, LEONID BREZHNEV, CHAIRMAN OF THE USSR SUPREME SOVIET PRESIDIUM, APPEALED TO RONALD REAGAN, U.S. PRESIDENT, FOR THE UNITED STATES TO DO EVERYTHING IN ITS POWER TO STOP THE BLOODSHED IN LEBANON AND TO HALT THE BARBARIC DESTRUCTION BY ISRAELI TROOPS OF LEBANESE AND PALESTINIAN WOMEN, CHILDREN AND OLD PEOPLE.

IN BEIRUT, ISRAEL IS COMMITTING ACTS OF GENUINE VANDALISM AGAINST THE PEACEFUL POPULATION AND IS DESTROYING THE CITY'S ACTIVITIES. LEONID BREZHNEV STRESSED THAT TODAY NOT A SINGLE RESPONSIBLE STATESMAN, NOT A SINGLE HONEST PERSON ON EARTH CAN REMAIN UNRESPONSIVE TO THE APPEALS OF THOSE WHO ARE DYING IN LEBANON AT THE HANDS OF THE ISRAELI INVADERS.

IN CONNECTION WITH STATEMENTS ABOUT THE FACT THAT THE UNITED STATES IN PRINCIPLE IS READY TO SEND A CONTINGENT OF AMERICAN TROOPS TO LEBANON, LEONID BREZHNEV WARNED THE U.S. PRESIDENT THAT IF THAT REALLY OCCURS, THE SOVIET UNION WILL BUILD ITS POLICY TAKING THIS FACT INTO ACCOUNT.

THE HEAD OF THE SOVIET STATE EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT AT THIS CRITICAL MOMENT IN THE EVENTS IN LEBANON AND AROUND IT, A FEELING OF RESPONSIBILITY AND COMMON SENSE WILL GAIN THE UPPER HAND OVER OPPORTUNISTIC CALCULATIONS, AND THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL DO EVERYTHING IN ITS POWER TO ENSURE THAT ISRAELI AGGRESSION ENDS, AND THAT THE ACTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES AND ITS EMISSARY IN THE NEAR EAST NOT SERVE AS A SCREEN FOR CONTINUING AGGRESSION BY ISRAEL AND THE DESTRUCTION OF THE ARAB PEOPLE OF PALESTINE.

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